

# North Slope Borough School District Board of Education NSBSD Central Office, Archie Brower Conference Room Utqiagvik, Alaska

Unapproved Minutes Regular School Board Meeting March 1, 2018 9:00 am

**CALL TO ORDER AND MOMENT OF SILENCE:** Board President Roxanne Brower called the Board of Education meeting to order at 9:05am at the NSBSD Central Office in Utqiagvik, Alaska.

**WORDS OF WISDOM:** Fannie Akpik provided the Words of Wisdom for the School Board and listening audience.

**FLAG SALUTE:** The Board led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **ROLL CALL:**

MaryJo Olemaun – present

Roxanne Brower – present

Heidi Ahsoak- present

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Raymond Aguvluk – present Nora Jane Burns-present via teleconference

Qaiyaan Harcharek–present Student Representative Anna Stringer-present

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** HEIDI MOVED to APPROVE the Agenda. Qaiyaan Harcharek SECONDED the MOTION. QUESTION CALLED. The MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:** Heidi Ahsoak MOVED to Approve Consent Agenda. MaryJo Olemaun SECONDED. QUESTION CALLED. The MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

**RECOGNITION OF VISITORS:** Director of Financial Services David Nielsen, Chief Operating Officer Lincoln Saito, Retired Maintenance & Operations Director Jeff Cook, Coordinator of Resources & Benefits Robyn Joksic, Coordinator of Inupiaq Education Fannie Akpik, Director of Curriculum & Instruction Liz Noble, Assistant Superintendent of Assessments & Accountability Christopher Aguirre

**SPECIAL RECOGNITION:** The School Board President and Clerk recognized students, staff, and community members who were nominated for their accomplishments and dedication. The Board announced the recognition at this meeting.

Nunamiut School Distinguished Awards: Distinguished Volunteer, Katie Fry, Katie has been an active member of the Nunamiut School SAC for numerous years.

Distinguished Students: Jerry Ahgook, son of Cid Nay and Charlotte Ahgook, is a precocious 8th-grader who is always thinking, questioning, and reading.

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Jeralyn Morry,-student Jeralyn is a dedicated child, who takes her role as student seriously. In class, she is hard-working, puts all her effort forth towards learning, and creates professional, accurate and thoughtful work.

Angie Mekiana is a senior at Nunamiut School. Her art abilities have allowed her to gain several awards. Angie shares her compassion for art with the elementary students and mentors them in art projects in the Inupiaq classroom.

Distinguished Staff: Ralph VanVleet has been selected as the Nunamiut School classified staff member of the year. Ralph has worked at Nunamiut School since 1979. He first came up to Anaktuvuk Pass to help with the construction of the current school building.

Kali School Distinguished Awards: Distinguished Students: Amber Neakok-7th Grade student who through her hard work with Lego Robotics was able to travel to the Lego Robotics regional competition in Anchorage this year.

Alec Pikok- 12th Grade- has demonstrated himself as a young man who has a strong interest in photography, and is ready and willing to lend a hand and help out where he can.

Phoebe Labrado- K - Phoebe is an outstanding leader and role model for her class. In addition to striving to do her best at all times, she also constantly seeks out ways to help her classmates and her teacher whenever possible.

Distinguished Staff: Certified: Becky Long has nearly completed her 10th year teaching at Kali School. She sets high standards for her academics, and has managed to create a strong desire to read in many of her students.

Classified: Timothy Ferreira has tirelessly worked towards setting a high bar for our students with behavior, academics, and athletics. In large part due to his leadership, direction, and dedication, Kali intermediate students have been able to participate in ice fishing trips and caribou hunting trips.

Distinguished Volunteers: Lilly Anniskett, Marie Tracey, Nora Itta, Morita Tazruk, Susie Neakok, Mida Riley, Martha Tukrook, John Stalker, Jack Henry Jr., William Stalker, Sophie Tracey, Caleb Buckman, Patrick Tukrook, Stephen Smith for spending time with students, as well as working with and helping school staff.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** School Board President, Roxanne Brower, called for public comment. Community members voiced their comments and concerns.

**HIGHLIGHTED SCHOOL REPORT:** Nunamiut School and Kali School are the highlighted schools. At Nunamiut School the report is given by the English Language Arts Teacher Steven Bridwell and Alternative Teacher Melinda Berg. For Kali School, the report is given by Principal Zachary Stenson.

For Nunamiut, school wide there has been an increase in MAP scores. The agriculture class has added a hydroponics bucket tower and is continuing to grow for the community. Jacques Phillip from UAF, and Alaska Nordic is making regular visits while developing a sustainable SkiJoring program. The 4th and 5th graders have Skyping pen Pals with a group of 4th graders from Florida learning about the geography of the locations and each other. The journalism class created the first Nunamiut News Blog for Anaktuvuk Pass. The link to the blog is Nunamiut.wordpress.com. The media productions class started a Highlighted Students of the Week which airs on the commons area TV. The Volleyball team was runner up at regionals this

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year. Three students ran cross country at state. Most of the seniors are on track to graduate in May 2018, and all of their schedules utilized the alternative education program in some way. A grant promoted by the NSBSD last fall was applied for by Melinda Berg and awarded to Nunamiut School Alternative Education program. The \$5000 is being used to make the environment of the classroom more flexible in an effort to accommodate the needs of older, and some older than average, students' needs. Enhancements include muted lighting, flexible seating and acoustics. During community events in the school gym, the room often serves as the Elders' Hospitality Room. Middle school used technology-Gloggster, a multimedia poster program to teach and inform the community about the negative effects of smoking. https://sites.google.com/a/nsbsd.org/nunamiutjr-high-students/ is the website. Map Training went well, everyone knows how to log in and get scores in multiple formats and what the RIT range represents. High school Basketball teams are doing great this year. The boys are winning and matching up well with many 3A school teams. The girls are combined with the Kaktovik Rams and are called the Ramaguqs. We are looking forward to another Karate season and community demonstration. The pool is open twice a month for each grade level and community use. The Amagua basketball teams just returned from a long road trip to Anchorage and points south. The girls' team joined forces with Kaktovik and have created quite a formable team. They improved every game and won the sportsmanship award at the Nikolaevsk tourney. Abi Fry played well and made the all-tournament team. The boys beat Lumen Christie, Nikolaevsk and Nenana on their way to winning the championship. Three Nunamiut players were selected to the all-star team. Justice Nakapigak, Jacob Aghook, and Dyrell Lincoln were honored with Dyrell voted the sunshine player and MVP of the tournament. The boys went on to be undefeated on the trip and beat a couple of 3A teams in their travels. The student's time was not only occupied on the basketball court, they took the opportunity to visit the Island and Ocean center in Homer. In Seward, they visited the Sea life center where they took part in a squid dissection lab and visited some interesting exhibits. The greatest part of the trip was the compliments they received from school officials and adults on the polite and respectful behavior they exhibited.

The emergency report was given by Melinda Berg. One of the biggest events for Anaktuvak Pass is the fire that took the public works building. The fire burned and smouldered for several days and forced to close the school. Food, snacks, and drinks were provided for the firefighters for many days by the staff and citizens. A boys basketball coach, a teacher, and a community member Jesse Schmidt saved the school bus, a bobcat, other small vehicles, and equipment from the burning building. The principal, the plant manager, and the head secretary set up a command center for information, logistics, and finally mitigation efforts. It was determined that the region basketball tournament be held somewhere else because it concerns students' health.

Kali School: Kali school has successfully emptied every connex of school items. Those who participated were:

Students: Kenneth Neakok, Iqsi Lane, Sara Gris, Trina Pikok, Gerlynn Stalker, Allie Neakok, Stephen Nukapigak

Community Members: Ira Itta, James Tazruk, Julius Rexford, Thomas Nukapigak, AJ Neakok, Lee Fisher Tukruk, Nora Itta

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Staff: James Nash, Hubert Long, Stephen Manuel, Garrett Armstrong, Heather Clankie, Kaitlyn Sommer

Activities that occurred at Kali School were Lego Robotics, Battle of the Books, and MYAC students have been taking active leadership roles in the community events and several are currently on a trip in Hawaii. Students travelled to Mystic, CT to study Belugas with the help and support from the Department of Wildlife Management, and particularly from Robert Suydam. Basketball-Boys and Girls hosted BHS JV, Kiana, Upriver teams, Atqasuk, Kaktovik for a basketball tournament. Swimming Pool nights occur two times per week, skin sewing occurs two times per week, tanning class occurs two times per week, cooking class occurs two times per week, Kali also has a school newspaper, and finally after school tutoring is open. There is a community/student woodshop class offered that focuses on drum making as well as an Education College Course that staff is wanting to expand for more classes next year. There are 5 local staff members who have taken their first step towards receiving a teaching certificate in order to offer this course.

CPR class is offered for High School Students as well. For academic highlights, Atticus Young has received the Alaska Performance Scholarship and has applied to attend UAS and UAF. For ANSEP, Several Kali students are working through the application process to attend ANSEP summer courses. As an 8th hour class, tutoring/study hall is offered for all intermediate students at Kali that receive a 40 minute block at the end of the day to receive additional instruction and have work time for their classroom assignments. Attendance at Kali shows students have continued to increase very impressive attendance rates this year. During the February Saturday school, Kali school had very high attendance. The staff at Kali school has been working towards increasing cultural studies both during the school day and after the school day is over. A few examples of this are: -Niksiksug-Ice Fishing where all intermediate students learn traditional methods for making fish hooks, and fishing poles. High school students learn a variety of skills from visiting community members as well as the local SAR and fire department prior to heading out on several day trips. Some of these skills included: Ice safety, How to make a Pick of Life, Jigging techniques, how to dress for the weather, how to prepare for the unexpected, how and when to use a PLB, etc... During the trips, several students caught their first Sulukpaugat (grayling). Another exampe for increasing cultural integration would be Tuttuliag. Following the ice fishing program, as the Caribou numbers around Pt. Lay grew, students were able to begin learning about Tuttuliaq and participating in several hunts during the school day and weekend. Another activity is Amisiug-Skin Sewing. A local elder, Lilly Anniskete, has started an after Amisiug-school skin sewing program at Kali this winter. This program was funded through a grant from ASRC and students from 1st grade on up have been learning how to sew a variety of different projects.

**STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT:** Student Representative Anna Stringer submitted a written report submitted by six schools: Ivan Bodfish, Alak School; Barrow High School Student Council; Bradley Brower, Harold Kaveolook School; Quincy Stalker, Kali School; In'uli Toopetlook, Nunamiut School; Justis Anashugak, Kiita Learning Community; Lily Ungarook, Meade River School; David Taleak, Nuiqsut Trapper School; Terza Oviok, Tikigaq School.

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The February/March Report Theme: how we can preserve culture and curriculum enhancement and acting on these ideas by creating projects that can help the school to boost student morale and engage students more.

# 1. School Spirit Enhancement: Creating projects

### Alak School: School Pride

They intend to initiate this project April 16-20 by engaging students to paint posters to hang in the hallways and gym to promote positive behavior and spirit. This will be lead by the shop teacher who will have different themese for each grade in order to host a contest. There will be a selection committeee to determine the best designs and messages.

## Barrow High School: Leadership

They Intend to initiate this project around April 27, 2018 with the title being "Reflection Day." The 3 objectives are to generate a sense of excitement within the younger students of Utqiaʻgʻvik, regarding their own high school graduation. The second Is to all outgoing seniors to "give back" to their elementary school by volunteering for a day. The third Is to Instill within outgoing seniors a sense of grounding and accomplishment, to remember where their journey began, to feel excited for where It will take them. The target group is for seniors to excite elementary students for what they are studying for and hope to accomplish.

### Harold Kaveolook School: School Pride

The intended date of the project is February after agreement with the elementary teachers. The title Is "Proud to be a Ram," and the objective Is to teach good sportsmanship to kindergarten through 4th grade. The target group should be about the size of 24 students. At Harold Kaveolook School, pride in the school teams and athletes are important.

"We hosted home games for basketball on January 18-20. The teams that came here for basketball were AKP boys and girls, ATQ boys, Lathrop was supposed to come but they got weathered out. On Saturday, the Robo Rams competed over the VTC at the state competition but didn't win anything. The middle and high school students have been working on A World Bridge project. They are learning to fly drones in order to help collect data that could help solve real-world problems in Kaktovik. One problem that has been under discussion is the melting permafrost on the island. Since it is melting, many of the structures in the village have begun to shift, settle, and sink. We intend to use the UAV's to take videos and photos of the settling buildings to send to the borough so that they can help us come up with a solution. Finally, many of our students competed in the Battle of the Books competition on Monday, January 29. The kindergarten earned 1st place, 1st grade earned 2nd place, 2nd grade earned 2nd place , 3rd and 4th grade earned 3rd place, 7th and 8th grade earned 1st place, and the high school team earned 2nd place." - Bradley Brower

### Hopson Middle School: Health/ Safety

The intended date of the project was due January 30, 2018 with the title being "Be A Friend, Not A Bully," The objective was to create a big poster paper so that students may sign their name on a blue paper ribbon and tape It on the main poster. On the same day, to show they support the

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cause, students were encouraged to wear blue or orange. The student names on the poster will be students who pledge not to bully. This in turn will give awareness to the students that school bullying needs to be solved and that it begins with them.

#### Kali School: School Pride

The intended date of the project Is the month of February with the title being "School Art." With cooperation, students will be able to make the school upbeat and postiive while doing something they like such as art.

# Meade River School: Anti-Bullying

The intended date of the project is March 26, 2018 with the title being, "Let's Be Friends." The target group will be 7th- 12th grade that will have students participating together in various activities. This will occur in the gym with teamwork activities being the goal. The students will be divided Into teams and work together to accomplish a task. Students will use strategies to work together In friendly ways to be a successful team.

"MRS Student Council Is working with the Student Advisory Committee and Nuiqsut Trapper School In a partnership promoting an anti-bullying week. We want to have speakers come in and activities for students to participate In, learning about anti-bullying, how to be a friend, and create healthy relationships." Lily Ungarook

# Kiita Learning Community: School Pride

The intended date of the project is the 4th quarter of school. The title Is "Safe Talk Training and School Preparedness." The objective Is to train students on how to utilize school resources for emergency purposes that include all Kiita students as well as staff. The people needed to make this work is the school counselor, staff, and a DARE resource officer. This Is to prepare students for suicide awareness and for emergency drills at school.

### Tikigaq School: Culture/Traditions

The intended date is the 4th quarter of school with the title being "Bring Our Traditions Back." This Is to obtain enough Information to determine what kinds of elective to provide our school/students with. The target group are elders and young people from the age 10-23. The plan Is to create a list of questions asking why many of our old Inupiaq traditional practices and activities have diminished over the past 40-50 years. The goal Is to etablish a solid explanation as to why many of the Inupiat cultural activities, i.e. Sewing, cutting seals etc. are being lost. I plan to get a general consensus by having a group of elders fill out a questionnaire regarding their opinion on why this Is taking place.

**SUPERINTENDENT REPORT:** Superintendent McDonald presented the Superintendent report to the Board. The following topics are what were discussed. Nunamiut School's current status after the fire, 1A Basketball Regionals, Village access to 1A Basketball games, Village prom, principal/teacher recruitment, an update on Qatqiññiaġvik, committee meetings for Spring 2018, Budget development, and Student behavior Support. For Nunamiut school, The current status is clean and safe for normal operations. The Plant Manager is monitoring the air filters weekly and maintaining the snow tracked in the entries of the building. The school will remain

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safe and healthy for students as long as no debris is tracked back into the school. Taylored Restoration services cost \$31,355, which is expected to be covered by NSBSD's facility insurance. There will need to be a follow up meeting with NSB Risk Management to discuss spring cleanup and any other steps to allow the school property and playground to fully recover from the fall out of the warehouse fire. For the 1A Basketball Regionals, the communication should have been more accurate. Contact with the Activities Facilitator should have been checked with first. There was a previous agreement to old all disrupted tournaments and regional events in Utgiagvik. This agreement was made through the NSBSD Equity Committee chaired by Lincoln Saito. For the Village Access to 1A Basketball Games. Due to the Regionals being moved, live video streaming has been set up in all 1A Region villages to watch the games for the week of the games. When seats were available on charters, communities were allowed to set up a local system to use open seats to come to Regionals in Utqiagvik. The video streaming has been the first attempt of this kind in the NSBSD. The village prom for 1A villages has been set up through Qatqiññiaġvik. The event took place during the 1A Basketball Regionals. NSB provided assistance with helping students get to prom as well as other activities that were include Qatqiññiagvik. For the Principal/Teacher recruitment, the following are the rest of the dates for job fairs.

- The 2018 Greater Philadelphia Teacher Job Fair in Philadelphia, PA on April 4
- The Tri-College Education Job Fair in Moorhead, MN on April 5
- University of Toledo Teacher Job Fair, Toledo, OH on April 9
- The Northeastern Ohio Teacher Education Day in Akron, OH on April 10
- The Teacher Recruitment Consortium Fair in Athens, OH on April 13

Principals are formulating hiring committees to facilitate the hiring of teachers. The Superintendent office has been formulating hiring committees for administrators as well. As for a Qatqiññiaġvik update, transportation has been helping students go from home to Iļisaġvik, pick up students at CO2 and drop them off at BHS, then from there transport students to CO2 World Bridge lab. There are purchases of equipment to better aide Qatqiññiaġvik's objective, which is in conjunction with the Boards, as well as planning programs for the coming months. Stewart received a list of committees to be held before May 2018 and the Budget Development update includes creating an efficient organizational chart for the Superintendent office, human resources, maintenance and operations, business department, and school leadership positions. As for Student behavior support, Stewart addressed a space for in-house suspension, and various behavior issues to improve school climate and teaching appropriate behavior while providing access to instruction. This will require a combination of reassignments and converting positions to support this effort. Each school will work with the district to find solutions specific to each school's needs. This work will be made available in all schools as needs are presented.

**FY18 GRADUATION CEREMONY**: Superintendent McDonald presented memo SB18-147,FY18 Graduation Ceremony dates. This did not include the administrators that are attending. As for the Board members, each were given a graduation to attend.

**LEGISLATIVE UPDATE:** Superintendent McDonald presented the legislative update. Five students attended the Leadership Fly-In accompanying Board President, Roxanne Brower, and

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Superintendent, Stewart McDonald. Stewart testified on behalf of the district and brought the legislative priorities for not only the Alaska Association of School Boards but the raural caucas that the North West Arctic school district and North Slope Borough school district host. During the Fly-In, Superintendent McDonald advocated for funding regarding support for the District's facilities as well as debt reimbursement. Board President, Roxanne Brower, gave her report from the Legislative Fly-In. The time in Juneau enabled the team to speak with the legislators and meet the new State Representative John Lincoln. This was during the time Stewart was unable to attend due to a report from the fire in Anaktuvak pass. Board President read the report from the students that wrote about their trip to Juneau.

**WINTER BENCHMARKING STUDENT DATA:** Director of Assessment and Accountability, Caitlin Montague, presented Winter Benchmarking Student Data regarding MAP reading and Math K-11. The program uses percentile ranking that creates charts for student performance compared to a national normal group. This program breaks down from the entire district as a whole down to all Utgiagvik schools and village schools. Caitlin reported on two sample reports. One is available for teachers to see for an entire class that houses the students ePortfolios. The other is an individual report showing MAP test scores over time that compares the district and the national average. The report that teachers are able to see, notifies the teacher of students that are below grade level or at risk of failing due to not being able to understand what is being taught. Superintendent McDonald then engages in delving deeper into the program and figuring out the percentiles of the teaching such as how many students made it from first grade to the 6th grade and then asking if the education level has improved or if the at-risk students were dropped which then increased the level of improvement in scores. Liz Noble, Director of Curriculum and Instruction, then received the mic to include programs to possibly improve student test scores or general knowledge the education they are receiving. This includees pilot programs that will be included in the April 5, 2018 school board meeting. These pilot programs are recorded in MilePost and allow teachers to assess students with different programs used. Mary Io presented her concern with the Mile Post program for when a student changes teachers that the student will end up being at-risk again. Caitlin Montague answered with MilePost recording the programs that they call interventions used to help teach the students would still be there with the change of teachers. The new teacher would have access and notes to the previous teacher on programs that did or did not work for that specific student. Eva Kinneeveauk, board member, stressed the need to locate the children that have dropped out or moved to a different town and never enrolled. Eva expressed that with the use of the Mile post program, it should be easier to locate the at-risk children since in Involves the teacher's use of It and their day to day exposure to the kids.

**ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION 6146.1, CREDIT RECOVERY:** Director of Curriculum and Instruction, Liz Noble, presented AR 6146.1, Credit Recovery. The Intent Is to decrease the challenges that prevents students from participating In credit recovery courses. The credit recovery before revising the Item would limit the student to being between a low percentile In order to participate. The changes now has that any student that fails any course may participate In credit recovery. This change should Increase graduation rates.

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CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT (CIP) MONTHLY STATUS REPORT: Director of Maintenance and Operations, Jeff Cook, presented memo SB18-144. Jeff Cook went on to announce his retiring status after this meeting. The Barrow High School front entrance will remedy the flow of traffic in the summer of 2019, so as to not to interfere with the ICC gathering this summer of 2018. Jeff announced the BHS Project Analysis Report as ongoing and will cost upwards of \$17M which includes the entire renovation of the poolroom and renovation of the sports wing total remodel. The reason for the pool room renovation resulted from a lack of preventative, routine, and major maintenane over the past decade. This in turn, leads to the closure of the poolroom to remain so until substantial renovation is completed. The Central Office Annex gas piping replacement design is completed and ready to bid. Project completion is projected for August 1, 2018. The Kaktovik Gym project is completed with minor difficulties with heating. The contractor has dispatched workers to mitigate air infiltration. The site is monitoring temperatures to help determine the next steps. Point Hope Interior renovations (CIPM Phase 4) has UICC as the contractor with a schedule of the project lasting over 2 summers, 2017 and 2018. Facility use will be limited during the Holidays and beginning of the school year as well as the summer. The activities will be held in the new gym area. Atgasuk interior renovations (CIPM Phase 2 and 3) are projecting a shortfall for mechanical and electrical needs with \$7.7M is needed with only \$6M available. There may be a delay to the project implementation plan due to being under consideration in the Mayor's Office. The construction schedule was set for the summers of 2018 and 2019. This delay may cause this schedule to fall behind. The study for the District wide mechanical and electrical is complete and the findings are incorporated into the District's FY18 Six Year Plan. For the Point Lay bleachers, the MOA has been approved by the board and is now being processed by the NSB. The remaining monies (\$80K) is allocated for the bleachers. Ipalook and HMS security project ( Ordinance 2016-10 legacy project) has AFS as the contractor for the project. This is near substantial completion. Nuigsut sewage system modifications is at substantial completion. Several major renovation projects are complete but have exhausted the allocation of money in order to incorporate cultural components, FY17 Six Year CIP Projects Plan, presented by Jeff Cook, notes the projects to be designed and completed. This requires changes to the budgets and brought to the Board for approval. All MOA's approved by the Board have been submitted to CIPM for the NSB Mayor's signature. Once signed, the District will be able to submit PORs to CIPM for concurrence.

Mary Jo Olemaun expressed concern for the progress on renovations in Wainwright. This had come to her attention from the student report from Ana Stringer noting that many things around the school were old and breaking down. Jeff Cook then proceeded to answer that three projects were presented to the Board and are currently in the North Slope Borough Mayor's office for consideration. Qaiyaan Harcharek presented an idea of gathering other entities that share in the use of the facilities other than the School District and the Borough to help streamline the production of the renovation listed above. Jeff Cook responded as there has been no precedent other than the residential center. The idea was to pay \$3-5 M and they would pay for the rest of the amount but this has not occurred yet.

**MONTHLY FINANCIALS:** Superintendent McDonald presented FY18 December Monthly Financial report memo SB18-145. North Slope Borough School District's Monthly Financial

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Reports are reviewed, discussed and acted upon by the Board of Education at every regular board meeting. Approximately 42% of the budget has been expended, while 50% (6 of 12 months) of the year has elapsed. Revenues received as of December 2017 were at 57% of budget. Cash in the general checking account as of December 31st was \$24,305,584 while there was \$1,620,726 in the Investment Trust Account, for a total of \$25,926,311.

Mary Jo Olemaun questioned where Impact Aid was being implemented. David Nielsen and Stewart McDonald commented that it is being used in the General fund to help the District as a whole and not focused on a singular area.

Qaiyaan Harcharek MOVED that the NSBSD Board of Education APPROVE the January 31, 2018, Monthly Financial Report. Eva Kinneeveauk SECONDED. QUESTION CALLED. The MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

**MONTHLY FINANCIALS**: Superintendent McDonald presented FY18 January Monthly Financial report, memo SB18-146. . North Slope Borough School District's Monthly Financial Reports are reviewed, discussed and acted upon by the Board of Education at every regular board meeting. Approximately 50% of the budget has been expended, while 58% (7 of 12 months) of the year has elapsed. Revenues received as of January 2018 were at 65% of budget. Cash in the general checking account as of January 31st was \$26,037,522 while there was \$1,620,726 in the Investment Trust Account, for a total of \$27,658,249.

Eva Kinneeveauk expressed concern of typographical errors for Action items such as what was presented. The January monthly financial report was introduced as December when a motion was called for December already. Eva expressed the need to revise and proofread the coming memos presented to the board.

Eva Kinneeveauk MOVED that the North Slope Borough School District APPROVE the January 31, 2018, monthly financial report as presented. Qaiyaan Harcharek SECONDED. QUESTION CALLED. The MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

**CONTRACTS OVER 10K:** Superintendent McDonald presented the Contracts Over 10k. In accordance with applicable Board policy, contracts and MOA's \$10,000 or greater require Board approval. BP 3312.

The administration recommended the following contracts:

NWEA- New contract for NWEA testing license will have different terms and services than previously used by the District. The MAP Growth K-2, MAP Growth, Reading & Language, and MAP Growth Science will be paid with Information Technology's account of 100.200.355...440 for the amount of 24,875. This is in order to continue to build tools assessment tools for Elementary students.

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Eva Kinneeveauk MOVED that the NSBSD Board of Education APPROVE the above \$10,000 and greater proposal, Item 1, as described in the memo and attachments. Qaiyaan Harcharek SECONDED. QUESTION CALLED. The MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

**2018-2019 TENURED AND NON-TENURED CONTRACT RECOMMENDATIONS:** According to Board Policy, new hires are accepted by the Superintendent and brought to the School Board for approval. Recommendations for SB18-149:

### **Non-Tenured Recommendations for SB18-141:**

Deborah Alverson, Eben Hopson Middle School, Utqiagʻvik Kathy Bodfish, Alak School, Wainwright
Rebekah Chapman, Alak School, Wainwright
Susan Dyer, Alak School, Wainwright
Machiavellia Etsitty, Alak School, Wainwright
Benjamin Glover, Qatqiññiagvik, Utqiagʻvik
Michael Huhndork, Alak School, Wainwright
Kelly Kemper, Nuiqsut Trapper School, Nuiqsut
Kathryn Lamar, Harold Kaveolook School, Kaktovik
Emperatriz Stephanie Milner, Alak School, Wainwright
Louann Rau, Harold Kaveolook School, Kaktovik
Louisa Riley, Nunamiut School, Anaktuvuk Pass
Patricia Sonntag, Alak School, Wainwright

Qaiyaan Harcharek MOVED that the NSBSD Board of Education APPROVE the recommendation for continuing contracts as presented in memo no. SB18-141. Eva Kinneeveauk SECONDED. Discussion Called. The Board had a short discussion regarding the contracts. QUESTION CALLED. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

**TYPE M CERTIFICATION REQUEST:** The Type M Certificate is introduced by Superintendent McDonald as a lay down. The Board moves to vote on accepting the lay down.

Qaiyaan Harcharek MOVED that the North Slope Borough School District Board of Education APPROVE the Type M Certification for John Turner for the commercial carpentry construction class as presented. Eva Kinneeveauk SECONDED. Discussion Called. The board briefly discussed the Type M Certification. QUESTION CALLED. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

APPROVAL TO ISSUE CONTRACTS: Coordinator of Human Resources and Benefits, Robyn Joksic, presented the memo SB18-142, Approval to Issue Contracts. Due to the changing environment for recruiting teachers, it is imperative that the North Slope Borough School District recruit quality teachers and to get contracts signed early in the recruiting season. The administration is recommending your approval for the Human Resources Department the authority to offer Teacher contracts during the recruiting season with the approval from the Superintendent or Asst.

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Superintendent after the completion of an interview and upon receipt and review of a background check, reference checks and letters of recommendation.

Eva Kinneeveauk MOVED that the North Slope Borough School District Board of Education APPROVE the administration's request to allow the Human Resources Department the authority to offer teacher contracts at job fairs with the approval from the Superintendent or Asst. Superintendent after the completion of an interview and upon receipt and review of a background check, reference checks, and letters of recommendation. Qaiyaan Harcharek SECONDED. QUESTION CALLED. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

**SECOND READING, BP 6174.3, TRIBAL PARTICIPATION IN IMPACT AID:** This has been brought to the board reading as the third time due to not voting but reading. The Board Policy is updating to match the Federal requirements.

Eva Kinneeveauk MOVED that the North Slope Borough School District Board of Education APPROVE the Second Reading of Board Policy 6174.3, Tribal Participation in Impact Aid. Nora Jane Burns SECONDED. QUESTION CALLED. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

## First Reading, BP 3513.3, TOBACCO-FREE SCHOOLS/SMOKING:

Heidi Ahsoak presented memo SB18-135, First Reading of BP 3513.33, Tobacco- Free Schools/Smoking. This policy was last revised May 2003. This proposed revision promotes further for a tobacco-free enrionment and applies to any private residence owned or leased by the district for housing purpose.

Qaiyaan Harcharek MOVED that the North Slope Borough School District Board of Education APPROVE the First Reading of Board Policy 3513.3, Tobacco-Free Schools/Smoking, with the recommended changes. Heidi Ahsoak SECONDED. Discussion called. The Board briefly discussed the First Reading BP 3513.3.QUESTION CALLED. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

### FIRST READING, BP 5131.62, TOBACCO:

Heidi Ahsoak MOVED that the North Slope Borough School District Board of Education APPROVE the first reading of Board Policy 5131.62, Tobacco with the recommended changes. Qaiyaan Harcharek SECONDED. Discussion called. The Board briefly discussed the first reading of BP 5131.62. QUESTION CALLED. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

**SUMMER BOARD RETREAT**: Superintendent McDonald presented the location for the Summer Board Retreat. It will be held June 18-19, 2018 in Fairbanks.

Qaiyaan Harcharek MOVED to APPROVE the summer board retreat be held in Fairbanks as the location for the Board Retreat for June 18-19, 2018. Discussion Called. Qaiyaan Harcharek may be unable to attend the Summer Board retreat. Heidi Ahsoak will not be able to attend the Summer Board Retreat. QUESTION CALLED. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

**AASB SPRING ACADEMY/LEGISLATIVE FLY-IN:** Heidi Ahsoak MOVED that the Board appoint Roxanne Brower and Heidi Ahsoak to attend the Association of School Board Spring

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Academy/Legislative Fly-In from March 24, 2018 to March 27, 2018 in Juneau, Alaska. Eva Kinneeveauk SECONDED. QUESTION CALLED. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

**GRADUATION WAIVERS**: Superintendent McDonald presented background of the student waivers for Graduation. It is recommended that the Board grant waivers for students that are obtaining a credit for Alaska studies. In accordance with the Alaska Administrative code 4AAC 06.075, the students moved to Alaska in the past year while two other students were placed in a science course that they had previously taken. With 3 credits needed of science, the principal has requested to allow the duplicate course be counted as a .5 of their 3.0 credits of science. Board President, Roxanne Brower, appointed Heidi Ahsoak to present the Graduation waiver memo. It is recommended that the Board grant waivers for the four students obtaining .5 credits of science.

Qaiyaan Harcharek MOVED that the North Slope Borough School District Board of Education APPROVED to grant waivers for the students requiring special circumstances to graduate. Heidi Ahsoak SECONDED. Discussion Called. May Jo Olemaun requested that the Superintendent make sure the Principals will be held accountable to make sure the students are on track to graduation. QUESTION CALLED. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

**SCHOOL BOARD COMMENTS:** The Board commented on the next school year to be able to receive nutritional food such as fresh fruit, produce, and milk. The basketball game was introduced over a video and even though they are not at the games, they support the students. Concern over housing with pets was introduced and found to be included in the housing agreement. The board has announced that for fire drills there are solutions that the school district is working on. The Board has expressed that lice has come to be a problem in schools and to look in to the problem and solution.

NON-AGENDA ITEMS PUBLIC COMMENTS: Board policy 7100, Planning and Board policy 3544.1, District owned vehicles describes the use of district owned vehicles as well as the administrative regulation. The Board Policy Review committee should review and revise. The last time it has been adopted is 2001. The Board expressed concern over employee use of vehicles as well as doing School District business in personal vehicles.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

The Board reserves the right, within the constraints of State Law, to recess in an open meeting into executive session. Such sessions will be announced by the President and approved by a majority of the Board for discussion of the following subjects as permitted by law:

- 1)Matters of immediate knowledge which would clearly have an adverse effet upon the finances of the District and Borough
- 2) Subjects that tend to prejudice the reptutation and character of any person.

NOTE: Citizens having a concern should discuss the matter with the Superintendent first. After the Superintendent has heard the complaint then it may be brought to the Board. Complaints against students or staff will be heard in exeutive session.

Provided the person may request a public discussion.

3) Matters which by law, municipal charter, or ordinance are required to be confidential. The matters listed above include problems pertaining to individual students and individual employees, staff

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negotiation, pending or potentional litigation. However, the mere discussion of persons or finances will not be the cause for an executive session.

**DATE AND TIME OF THE NEXT MEETING:** Qaiyaan Harcharek MOVED to APPROVE the Date & Time of the next meeting: Regular School Board Meeting on May 3, 2018 in Utqiagvik, Alaska. Heidi Ahsoak SECONDED. The MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

ADJOURNED.
Respectfully submitted:
Chelsie Overby, Acting Board Secretary
Roxanne Brower, President
Heidi Ahsoak, Clerk
Date